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For: TAMPER-RESISTANT BOTTLE CLOSURE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT "A"**

In response to the office action of January 6, 2000, please amend the above captioned application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Sub.c' > 1. (Once Amended) A tamper-resistant bottle closure adapted to be carried on a container having a stopping ledge, said closure comprising:

a cap;

a breakaway skirt having an outer skirt and at least a first inner skirt inwardly disposed to said outer skirt; [and]

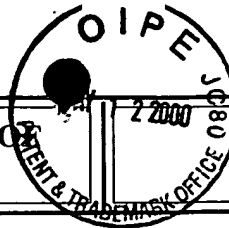
a plurality of frangible links extending between said cap and said outer skirt;

a wing disposed on said at least first inner skirt, said wing adapted to lie adjacent the stopping ledge such that said wing at least partially surrounds the stopping ledge, in which said at least first inner skirt is attached to said outer skirt at a location distal said frangible links; and

a second skirt inwardly disposed to said outer skirt, said second inner skirt having

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